

Leadership Changes

From: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>
To: TRAN ALL Passenger Transportation Staff, TRAN CVSE HQ Branch
Sent: November 27, 2020 10:06:39 AM PST

Hello everyone,

Big day yesterday in government as a new cabinet was sworn in and there was a number of Deputy Minister movements.

Our Ministry now has two Ministers within the portfolio;

- Rob Fleming is the new Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (formerly Minister of Education)
- Bowinn Ma is the new Minister of State for Infrastructure (formerly Parliamentary Secretary for Translink)

Both of their mandate letters and biography's are linked below. A few key relevant items from Minister Fleming's mandate letter:

- Continue the work to modernize the passenger directed transportation industry, supporting the Passenger Transportation Board in providing appropriate oversight and regulation, while ensuring accessible vehicles are available as needed.
- Continue efforts to ensure economic sustainability and equity for the taxi industry in the face of the impact of COVID-19.
- Continue the work to modernize B.C.'s trucking industry, so that it can support economic activity into the future and ensure owners and drivers have a good standard of living.

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. Kaye comes to our Ministry from Municipal Affairs and Housing where she has been the Deputy Minister since March of 2019.

Regards,
Steve

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/TRAN-Fleming-mandate.pdf>
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/ministries/transportation-and-infrastructure/biography>
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/TRAN-Ma-mandate.pdf>
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/BowinnMa-bio.pdf>
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/organizational-structure/cabinet/cabinet-committees>
https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/Ministry-Responsibilities_November_26_2020.pdf

Revised deck

From: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Cc: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX
Sent: November 29, 2020 11:48:57 AM PST
Attachments: Minister Transition Binder 2020 - TAXI (002).pptx
Hi Lea, revisions include 2 slides – fact sheet on ride hail applications and main stakeholders.

TAXI Slide Deck

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX s.15
s.15
To: Beale, William TRAN:EX, Brewer, Lia SDPR:EX, Waters, Leah TRAN:EX,
Leverman, Charly TRAN:EX
Sent: November 30, 2020 8:50:21 AM PST
Attachments: Transition 2020_TAXI Overview Deck_201129.pdf

Good morning

Steve provided an updated deck yesterday. This one is now uploaded to the Ministers' transition folders and I have deleted the old one. There is an extra slide showing #s of applications received etc., that the other deck did not have. Could you kindly let the Ministers know about the update.

Thank you

Lea Plamondon

Director, Executive Operations

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Ride Hail PPT - 11am Meeting with MRF

From: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX, Brewer, Lia PREM:EX
Sent: November 30, 2020 4:56:24 PM PST
Attachments: MRF Brief powerpoint Dec 1 2020.pptx

I will bring it up and share screen for the meeting using MS Teams.

Combined template A

From: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Cc: Mounteney, Renee FIN:EX
Sent: December 11, 2020 4:13:19 PM PST
Attachments: a - Key commitment timeline MRF10 MRF11 PT Branch [s.12](#); [s.13](#)
[s.12](#); [s.13](#)

FW: MRF Briefing

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX [s.15](#)
To: Pilkington, Kim TRAN:EX
Sent: December 14, 2020 9:39:13 AM PST
Attachments: Template A_Dec 11_8 pm.docx

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Sent: December 11, 2020 8:34 PM
To: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX
Subject: RE: MRF Briefing
Here is the latest with Deborah's updates.

From: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX <Kaye.Krishna@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: December 11, 2020 8:31 PM
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: TRAN HQ EXECUTIVE <THHEXEC@Victoria1.gov.bc.ca>; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Hayre, Courtney TRAN:EX <Courtney.Hayre@gov.bc.ca>; Hitchman, Laurel TRAN:EX <Laurel.Hitchman@gov.bc.ca>; Hurn, Morgan TRAN:EX <Morgan.Hurn@gov.bc.ca>; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>; Lewthwaite, Jennifer TRAN:EX <Jennifer.Lewthwaite@gov.bc.ca>; Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX <Beulah.Mazerolle@gov.bc.ca>; Neate, Sara TRAN:EX <Sara.Neate@gov.bc.ca>; Phillips, Holly TRAN:EX <Holly.Phillips@gov.bc.ca>; Pilkington, Kim TRAN:EX <Kim.Pilkington@gov.bc.ca>; Smith, Victoria TRAN:EX <Victoria.Smith@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Re: MRF Briefing

Thanks for the notes and consolidation- and thanks to EVERYONE for pulling all of this together on short order. This is a very good first draft list.

Because it is due today, I will send this version but ask that you and your teams continue to work with Deb's to further refine it to reflect our discussion with the Minister this afternoon. I shared our proposed Tier 1/Tier 2 approach [s.13](#) and they're ok with us sending a revised list with all final draft T1/T2 commitments on the 21st, so let's assume we'll get today's feedback into the final Tier 1 draft early next week and can then review the Tier 2 list and add content from the items we decide warrant going up to the corporate list.

Hope that makes sense. Have a great weekend.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 11, 2020, at 6:46 PM, Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Good evening:

Please see attached updated Templates A with edits received so far (from Steve, Renee and Kevin R).

This version also includes the 2017 commitments.

Below are some notes from Jen. Please ensure all the info has been captured in your updates.

Thank you

Lea

From: Lewthwaite, Jennifer TRAN:EX <Jennifer.Lewthwaite@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: December 11, 2020 4:32 PM
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Bowman, Deborah TRAN:EX <Deborah.Bowman@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: MRF Briefing
[Here's what I had from about 3:20 on...](#)
[s.13](#); [s.16](#); [s.17](#)

Jen Lewthwaite
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RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX ^{s.15}
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To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Sent: December 18, 2020 3:05:22 PM PST

There will be some duplication for sure.

I believe from what I remember hearing is:

List #1 is based more around the new mandate letter and commitments made during the election

List #2 is based more around projects/items the Ministry has been working on already

Lea

From: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:55 PM

To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX

Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX

Subject: RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

#1 and #2 seem like a duplicate based on the pending 2021 list I just sent to Kaye. Can you please confirm?

Outstanding briefings for 2021 below:

- SLS Update – Joint w/Minister Heyman (week of Jan. 11th) (Kevin Volk) | **January 11**
- TI Corp Part 2 (Kevin Volk/Amanda Farrell, Lisa Gow)
- Broadway Subway (Kevin Volk)
- Kicking Horse (Kevin Volk/Amanda Farrell)
- ^{s.12; s.13} (TBC – waiting on more information)
- Stakeholder Engagement (Kevin Richter)
- 03. Ensure Sustainable and Equitable Taxi Industry (Renee/Steve)
- 15. Improve TL and BC Transit Integration (with MECCS) (Deborah/David G)
- 19. Develop Plans for High Speed Transit Links for the North Shore (Kevin Volk)
- Improve South Island Transit and Transportation (Kevin Richter/Deborah)
- Work with Mayors Council on Extension of Millennium Line to Arbutus to UBC (Kevin Volk)
- Streamline Consultation, Tendering and Construction (Kevin Richter/Renee)

Carlee Kubisheski | Senior Executive Assistant

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:36 PM

To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

Hi Carlee - this is the second list I sent you earlier.

Page 1 of this list refers to #1 below, Page 2 refers to the 30 – 60 – 90 day items (#2 below). I'm pretty sure we would only be into the 30 day items. We weren't going to push for 60 or 90 day item briefings yet.

Hope this helps

Lea

From: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:31 PM

To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

I am confused between #2 and #1...

The MO has sent me the list for #2 and the pending 2021 lists.

I am not sure that will cover what Kaye is requesting for #2.

Carlee Kubisheski | Senior Executive Assistant

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From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:27 PM

To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

Thank you both – Carlee and I have been chatting about this earlier in the day.

Carlee – can you see if the MO can help with the 30/60/90? It is the list I sent you earlier (page 2)

From: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:20 PM

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Subject: RE: status of minister briefings/mtg

I can take care of #1 and #3.

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From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 2:20 PM

To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: FW: status of minister briefings/mtg

Lea, is there a way you'd like to divvy this up or how we can help with this?

From: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX <Kaye.Krishna@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: December 18, 2020 1:57 PM

To: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: status of minister briefings/mtg

Hi there,

As I mentioned in EC, I would like to see a status update on the following:

- The list of minister briefings (from a few weeks ago) with an update on what ones have taken place and what ones are remaining
- The 30/60/90 decisions items listed in the transition binder and a status of what is done
- The stakeholder list for ministers with a status of which meetings have taken place (probably need the MO to update that)

I'd like to see the first two items by EOD, if possible. You can put them through eApps.

Thanks!

Kaye

KAYE KRISHNA

Deputy Minister

Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure

Pronouns: She/Her/Hers

From: [Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX](#)
To: [Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX](#)
Cc: [Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX](#); [Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX](#); [Gedney, Vanessa R. TRAN:EX](#)
Subject: MRF BRIEFING MATERIALS | COVID Transportation Industry Supports | January 21
Date: January 18, 2021 3:16:00 PM

Good afternoon Beulah,

The following MRF meeting has been scheduled for next week. Please advise if there will be materials provided for the following:

CLIFF/eApp #	TBC
MRF Meeting topic:	COVID Transportation Industry Supports
Participants:	Kaye Krishna, Renee Mounteney, Steve Haywood
Date:	January 21 st @ 4:30
Duration:	45 mins
Materials:	TBC

NOTE:

- Please send **all** requests to Carlee, Lea, Vanessa and Brittany

Thank you,

Brittany Gates

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RE: Minister Meetings Jan 12 & 13

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX s.15
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To: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX
Cc: Lewthwaite, Jennifer TRAN:EX, Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX, Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: January 6, 2021 8:35:33 AM PST

Hi Beulah – yes – this makes sense to me as they are connected.

Carlee – can you please check with the MO to see if they are ok with combining the meetings to one 60 min meeting instead.

Thank you

Lea

From: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX
Sent: January 6, 2021 8:25 AM
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Cc: Lewthwaite, Jennifer TRAN:EX ; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Subject: Minister Meetings Jan 12 & 13

Good Morning,

We have two meetings with the minister next week on very similar topics.

12th – Ensure sustainable and equitable taxi industry

13th _s.12; s.13

Would we be able to combine these 2 topics onto one day and for 60 minutes?

If this is supposed to go to Carlee or Brittany please let me know and I can send to them instead.

Thank you kindly,

Beulah

Beulah Mazerolle

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BRIEFING IBN: COVID-19 Transportation Industry Supports | Date: January 21

From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>
To: Waters, Leah EDUC:EX
Cc: Beale, William EDUC:EX, Brewer, Lia PREM:EX, Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX, Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX, Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: January 20, 2021 11:47:07 PM PST
Attachments: 2021-01-20_300613_MIN IBN_COVID-19 Transportation Industry Supports.pdf

Good evening, the following IBN has been attached and uploaded to the [WebDAV](#):

BRIEFING:	COVID-19 Transportation Industry Supports
DATE:	January 20, 2021
TIME:	4:30 pm – 5:15 pm
LOCATION:	MS Team Meeting
STAFF PARTICIPANTS:	Kaye Krishna Renee Mounteney Steve Heywood Vanessa Gedney

From: Waters, Leah TRAN:EX
Sent: January 18, 2021 2:54 PM
To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Cc: Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX
Subject: RE: MRF MEETING REQUESTS

Could we do the first on the 21st at 4:30PM?

Microsoft Teams meeting

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For coffee, perhaps next week the 28th at 10AM?

From: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: January 18, 2021 2:17 PM
To: Waters, Leah TRAN:EX
Cc: Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX
Subject: MRF MEETING REQUESTS

Hi Leah,

Kaye let me know MRF requested the below meetings:

- Meeting with MRF, Kaye, Renee, and Steve on Wednesday or Thursday this week. "COVID Transportation Industry Supports"
- A coffee this week or next with MRF, Silas Brownsey and Kaye Krishna

Thank you,

Carlee Kubisheski | Senior Executive Assistant

To Deputy Minister, Kaye Krishna

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

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INFORMATION BRIEFING NOTE

DATE: January 20, 2021

PREPARED FOR: Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

ISSUE: COVID-19 Transportation Industry Supports

PURPOSE: To provide an update on support for transportation sector industries severely impacted by COVID-19

SUMMARY:

- The transportation sector consists of a number of industries that have been impacted in different ways by COVID-19. Many industries have been declared essential services and have had the opportunity to continue to operate through the first and second wave.
- Some industries, while they have been deemed essential, are critically linked to tourism or other passenger directed activities and have been severely impacted by the pandemic. These include taxi and ridehail, transit, ferries, air carriers, limousine and motor coach.
- Some industries such as taxi, ridehail, transit and ferries have started to rebound and/or have had the opportunity for federal and provincial financial assistance. Others, such as air carriers and the motor coach industry have had limited access to financial assistance.
- TRAN, through the Passenger Transportation Branch (Branch), Passenger Transportation Board (Board) and ICBC have taken steps to minimize the impacts of COVID-19 on the on-road transportation industry. Additionally, the provincial and federal governments established financial relief programs to support businesses impacted by COVID.

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BACKGROUND:

The motor coach industry play an important role in the BC tourism and transportation sectors. Many low-income groups, remote communities with no public transportation options, sport teams and elders, rely on motor coach services to move from one place to another.

The tourism sector, which generated \$20.5 billion in 2018, depends on the motor coach, taxi, and limousine industries to transport tourists to businesses, sightseeing and event locations across the province.

The BC Motor Coach Coalition (BCMCC) is a group of 12 transportation companies operating private inter-city buses, charter buses, sightseeing, airport and ferry shuttles in BC. The coalition was established to advocate for increased support for the motor coach industry as it continues to experience losses due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

According to a BCMCC October 29, 2020 statement, the motor coach industry's monthly gross revenues have declined by at least 95% since March 2020. Additionally, the coalition's members are estimating that their 2021 revenues will be less than 50% of "normal" levels.

COVID Support Measures

In order to limit the financial impact of COVID on the on-road passenger transportation industry, in March 2020, the Board allowed operators to temporarily reduce or suspend scheduled services until further notice.

The Ministry amended the Passenger Transportation Regulation to allow passenger transportation licensees to defer their licence renewal payments for a period of up to one year if they were not operating. This regulation remains in effect until June 1, 2021. Additionally, annual taxi license fees were reduced from \$100 to \$50 per taxi with a maximum of \$5,000 per company.

ICBC implemented an insurance policy change, which allowed fleet operators to suspend their insurance if vehicles were not in use without incurring costs. As such, licensees were able to change the insurance from their basic rate plan to Rate Class 919, which does not have any associated premiums or insurance coverage.

ICBC also waived exit taxes when a licensee cancels the prorated licence on multijurisdictional vehicles (MJV), replacing it with a licence for use solely in BC. Motor coach licensees must make this change between March 11 and September 30, 2020 to qualify.

Additionally, for each vehicle taken out of operation, ICBC provided a refund of the multijurisdictional vehicle (MJV) tax¹ for the remaining months in the licensee's Pro Rate insurance term.

The federal and provincial governments established a number of programs to provide financial assistance to all small and medium-sized companies to cushion the effect of COVID-19.

¹ The MJV tax is a BC tax paid on multijurisdictional vehicles that are based in BC or other jurisdictions and licensed under the prorated agreement -the International Registration Plan (IRP).



The federal government established the Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) to provide interest-free loans of up to \$40,000 (recently increased to \$60,000) to businesses that are seriously impacted by the pandemic. The CEBA application deadline is March 31, 2021.

The federal government also established the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) and the Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS) to provide wage and rent relief respectively, to businesses impacted by the pandemic. Both programs are available until June 2021.

Additionally, the BC government established the Small and Medium-Sized business Recovery Grant program to provide fully funded grants of up to \$30,000 to businesses to ensure support during and beyond COVID-19. The program also provides an additional \$10,000 funding to eligible tourism related businesses that have been heavily impacted by the pandemic.

Impact of COVID Support Measures

Although the transportation industry benefitted from federal and provincial financial relief programs, the BCMCC claims that the assistance programs are insufficient to provide lasting support due to the high interest being paid on motor coach loans. Further, BCMCC argues that some motor coach companies do not meet the eligibility criteria for some of the programs.

For instance, to qualify for rent subsidy through the CERS program, motor coach companies that are renting a space/land for their operations must have an "arm's length" relationship with the land/property owner. Given that approximately 10% of motor coach licensees also own the properties from which they operate, they do not qualify for rent assistance through CERS.

The CERS program also provides an additional 25% lockdown support for businesses that were temporarily shut down or significantly limited by a mandatory public health order. Given that the BC motor coach industry has not been subject to a public health order to stop operations, they do not meet the criterion to access the CERS lockdown support.

ICBC changes were well received by industry. However, most of these temporary changes expired on August 20, 2020. As such, when the motor coach industry resumes operations, licensees will be required to pay MJV tax on coaches that were not in use during COVID. Currently, motor coach operators pay up to \$18,000 per year in MJV tax on each coach under 5 years. This poses a huge financial burden for the industry in its early stages of recovery.

Further possible supports for the transportation industry:

The BCMCC has indicated that many motor coach companies will go bankrupt if no assistance is provided by mid-April. Taxi and limousine companies have stated similar concerns.



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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None.

Attachment:

1. Proposal from John Wilson, President & Chief Executive Officer, The Wilson's Group of Companies

PREPARED BY:	REVIEWED BY:	DATE:
Steve Haywood, Registrar Passenger Transportation Branch	Renée Mounteney, ADM Highway Services	RM
	Nancy Bain, EFO Finance and Management Services Department	N/A
	Kaye Krishna, Deputy Minister	KK

**WILSON'S TRANSPORTATION
SOLUTION FOR CONTINUING ESSENTIAL BUSING FOR FIRST NATIONS AND SMALL
COMMUNITIES AND FIRST NATIONS
FOR DISCUSSION WITH MINISTER FLEMING, JANUARY 18, 2021**

The Public Safety Risk:

Intercity bus service provides the **same essential service as public transit**. It takes people to medical appointments, essential work, school, childcare and to get their prescriptions and groceries. It is particularly critical for those with low income and in remote communities.

On Vancouver Island, **twenty-nine communities** are served with intercity busing by Wilson's **Tofino Bus** and **Vancouver Island Connector** (see attachment). Many of these communities are small, isolated communities with no other transportation services.

Wilson's has contracts with **21 First Nations, Tribal Councils and First Nations Health Organizations** (see attachment) on the island to provide essential travel to their members, who have no other means of transportation.

82,500 riders on Vancouver Island used Wilson's intercity busing services in 2019.

Due to COVID 19 work and travel restrictions, revenue on these routes has been **down 95% since March, 2020**. The service was **suspended on December 7th** due to public health orders. Wilson's would like to **restart it on February 12th** but **will be unable to do so unless it has an adequate source of revenue**. The federal COVID related subsidies and grants are inadequate to operate this service.

If this essential service is permanently cancelled by Wilson's, these **communities will turn to the Minister of Transportation to provide the service**. BC Transit is being subsidized by the federal and provincial government in recognition that busing is an essential service and that there is a 60% drop in riders and loss of fare revenue.

In addition, when intercity bus routes were cancelled by Greyhound, the BC and federal government stepped in to create and fund **BC Bus North** and service along **Highway 16** through BC Transit in recognition of the **public safety risk** created by the loss of bus service.

Wilson's planned to transition to **electric buses** for this service using the **CleanBC** subsidy but cannot do so with no revenue.

The Solution:

To avoid the **disruption, cost and public safety risk** created by cancelling intercity busing on Vancouver Island, Wilson's is requesting a **one-year emergency COVID recovery contract with the Ministry to continue this essential service until ridership is restored**.

This solution will **prevent a gap in service** for these communities, it will **avoid government having to take on the long-term cost** of intercity busing on the island and it will ensure Wilson's Transportation is still around to serve these communities during **economic recovery** from COVID 19.

Wilson's is flexible with regard to the terms and conditions of an emergency COVID recovery contract for this essential service. The contract must cover the **operating costs** of this essential service as described in the attachment. Wilson's would then submit all fares to government and as ridership recovers the cost of the contract to government would decline. Wilson anticipates being **fully recovered by early 2022** and no longer in need of this assistance.

Wilson's looks forward to working productively with you to save this essential service for island communities and First Nations.



VI Connector and Tofino Bus
Serviced Communities

Victoria	Qualicum Bay
Saanich	Fanny Bay
View Royal	Buckley Bay
Langford	Union Bay
Mill Bay	Royston
Cobble Hill	Courtenay
Cowichan Bay	Merville
Duncan	Black Creek
Chemainus	Oyster River
Ladysmith	Campbell River
Nanaimo – South	Coombs
Nanaimo - Central	Whiskey Creek
Nanaimo - North	Port Alberni
Parksville	Ucluelet
Qualicum Beach	Tofino

Tofino Bus Services Inc.
Sales by Customer Summary
January - December 2019

No.	Clients
1	Ahousaht Band Council
2	Alberni Clayoquot
3	Ditidaht First Nations
4	Ehattesaht/Chinehkint
5	First Nations Health Authority
6	Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw Nations
7	Hesquiaht First Nation
8	House of Himwitsa
9	Huu-ay-aht First Nations
10	ITHA - Inter Tribal Health Authority
11	Kayuk't'/Chektles7et'h' Nation
12	Kwakiutl Band Council - Health
13	Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis First Nations
14	Kyuquot First Nation
15	Ministry of Justice
16	Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General - Victoria
17	Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General-Nanaimo
18	Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction
19	Nuchatlaht Tribe
20	Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council
21	Nuu-Chah-nulth Tribal Council; Usma Nuu-chah-nulth Family & Child Services
22	Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations
23	Tsewulhtun Health Centre
24	Ucluelet First Nation
25	Wel Wai Kum First Nations

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Withheld pursuant to/removed as

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PLEASE READ | MRF BRIEFING MATERIALS | ^{s.12; s.13} /Ensure Sustainable and Equitable Taxi Industry | MTG Date: Jan 13 @ 3

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To: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX
Cc: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: January 27, 2021 3:39:36 PM PST
Attachments: Minister Update Taxi sustainability Jan 13 2021.pptx

Steve, MRF has a meeting with Minister Robinson at 4:45 and requested most recent BN or info on ^{s.12; s.13}
^{s.12; s.13} will this PPT be sufficient?

From: Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX
Sent: January 13, 2021 11:37 AM
To: Waters, Leah TRAN:EX ; Brewer, Lia TRAN:EX ; Beale, William TRAN:EX
Cc: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX ; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX ; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX ; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Subject: MRF BRIEFING MATERIALS | ^{s.12; s.13} /Ensure Sustainable and Equitable Taxi Industry | MTG Date: Jan 13 @ 3

Good morning, the attached briefing materials have been uploaded the [WebDAV](#) for Minister Fleming's attention:

BRIEFING:	^{s.12; s.13} /Ensure Sustainable and Equitable Taxi Industry
MATERIALS:	PowerPoint
DATE:	January 13
TIME:	3:00 p.m.
LOCATION:	MS Teams Meeting
STAFF PARTICIPANTS:	Kaye Krishna, Renee Mounteney, Steve Haywood, Vanessa Gedney

Thank you,

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BRIEFING NOTE FOR INFORMATION

DATE: February 9, 2021

PREPARED FOR: Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

TOPIC: Passenger Transportation Board

PURPOSE: s.13; s.16

BACKGROUND:

The Passenger Transportation Board (Board) is an independent administrative tribunal created by the *Passenger Transportation Act* (PTA) to regulate the operation of commercial passenger vehicles in British Columbia. Among other functions, the Board sets rules and policies under which the Transportation Network Services (TNS) and taxi industries operate.

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DISCUSSION:

General Policy Directive

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FW: DM REQUEST | eApprovals Item ID: 6817 : Taxi and Motor Coaches Industries (300787)

From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>
To: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Sent: February 9, 2021 9:18:53 AM PST
Attachments: 2021-02-09_300790_MRF IBN_Passenger Transportation Board.pdf
BN for MC

From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Sent: February 9, 2021 9:07 AM
To: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX
Cc: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX ; Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX ; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX ; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
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Subject: NOTIFICATION - eApprovals Item ID: 6817 - Item Approved - - Due 2/5/2021

Krishna, Kaye [Assignee] approved the item and forwarded it to Gedney, Vanessa R for action

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Title: TWO MRF IBNs | Passenger Transportation Board & Taxi and Motor Coach Industries

Full Name:

Due Date: 2/5/2021

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To: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX, Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX
Cc: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX, Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX, Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: February 9, 2021 9:43:43 AM PST

I have added to Min Council agenda for this week
Lea

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Sent: February 9, 2021 9:07 AM
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From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX ^{s.15}
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To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX, Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Sent: February 16, 2021 11:27:54 AM PST

Carlee – I think this update is being requested prior to that note I sent you for the MotorCoach call being sent up to the MO.

From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Sent: February 16, 2021 7:39 AM
To: Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX
Cc: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX ; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX ; Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX ; Neate, Sara TRAN:EX
Subject: RUSH ACTION | eApprovals Item ID: 6817 -MRF IBN | Taxi and Motor Coach Industries | DUE: FEB 12
Importance: High
Beulah, I will forward this eApp to you to action with staff; THIS IS RUSH

From: TRAN eApprovals <donotreply@sp.gov.bc.ca>
Sent: February 15, 2021 10:56 PM
To: Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>; Gates, Brittany TRAN:EX <Brittany.Gates@gov.bc.ca>; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX <Lea.Plamondon@gov.bc.ca>; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Lewthwaite, Jennifer TRAN:EX <Jennifer.Lewthwaite@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: NOTIFICATION - eApprovals Item ID: 6817 - Item Approved - - Due 2/12/2021

Krishna, Kaye [Assignee] approved the item and forwarded it to Gedney, Vanessa R for action

Comment: Hoped this would align with the grant submission, but can move forward as an update to MRF. ^{s.13}

^{s.13}

^{s.13}

I don't need to approve those options before they proceed to the Minister, but please do add them before sending this forward.

#: 300787

Title: MRF IBN | Taxi and Motor Coach Industries | DUE: FEB 12

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RE: Update: s.12; s.13

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX s.15
To: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX, Slanina, Ellen TRAN:EX, Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX
Cc: Neate, Sara TRAN:EX, Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX, Marsh, Patricia A TRAN:EX
Sent: February 23, 2021 2:40:02 PM PST

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Thank you
Lea

From: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX
Sent: February 23, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Slanina, Ellen TRAN:EX ; Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX
Cc: Neate, Sara TRAN:EX ; Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX ; Marsh, Patricia A TRAN:EX ; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX
Subject: RE: Update: s.12; s.13
Thanks everyone

From: Slanina, Ellen TRAN:EX <Ellen.Slanina@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: February 23, 2021 1:39 PM
To: Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX <Sandra.TothNacey@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Neate, Sara TRAN:EX <Sara.Neate@gov.bc.ca>; Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX <Beulah.Mazerolle@gov.bc.ca>; Marsh, Patricia A TRAN:EX <Patricia.A.Marsh@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Update: s.12; s.13

Hi Sandra,
I have sent an email to Nancy to let her know where things are at.

s.12; s.13

Nothing I need from you at this point Sandra.
Thanks,
Ellen

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 23, 2021, at 1:24 PM, Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX <Sandra.TothNacey@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Ellen.
For version control etc., Kaye's edits were in e-App that was shared with us by Lea.
Do you need anything from me for Sara to get this through Nancy and then to Kaye today?
Thanks again for your awesome work today with s.12; s.13
Well done!!
Sandra Toth Nacey

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX" <Sandra.TothNacey@gov.bc.ca>
Date: February 23, 2021 at 1:20:34 PM PST
To: "Crump, Brittney TRAN:EX" <Brittney.Crump@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Update: s.12; s.13

Round 3. Taxis.
I wonder if we can cut and paste.

Sandra Toth Nacey

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX" <Kaye.Krishna@gov.bc.ca>
Date: February 23, 2021 at 1:15:16 PM PST
To: "Toth Nacey, Sandra G TRAN:EX" <Sandra.TothNacey@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: "Bowman, Deborah TRAN:EX" <Deborah.Bowman@gov.bc.ca>, "Bain, Nancy TRAN:EX" <Nancy.Bain@gov.bc.ca>, "Kirby, Katherine TRAN:EX" <Katherine.Kirby@gov.bc.ca>, "Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX" <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>, "Slanina, Ellen TRAN:EX" <Ellen.Slanina@gov.bc.ca>, "Marsh, Patricia A TRAN:EX" <Patricia.A.Marsh@gov.bc.ca>, "Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX" <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>, "Miska, Ed TRAN:EX" <Ed.Miska@gov.bc.ca>, "Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX" <Beulah.Mazerolle@gov.bc.ca>, "Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX" <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Update: s.12; s.13

Fantastic. Please work with Vanessa to ensure I have the final versions as soon as possible and I'll approve them today.

s.12; s.13

I'd suggest that we also

quickly identify whether there's a s.13

Please take the lead on organizing this with Steve to explore what criteria we could consider that could work.

Thanks,

Kaye

KAYE KRISHNA

Deputy Minister

Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure

Pronouns: She/Her/Hers

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Sent: February 23, 2021 12:36 PM
To: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX <Kaye.Krishna@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Bowman, Deborah TRAN:EX <Deborah.Bowman@gov.bc.ca>; Bain, Nancy TRAN:EX <Nancy.Bain@gov.bc.ca>; Kirby, Katherine TRAN:EX <Katherine.Kirby@gov.bc.ca>; Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX <Steven.Haywood@gov.bc.ca>; Slanina, Ellen TRAN:EX <Ellen.Slanina@gov.bc.ca>; Marsh, Patricia A TRAN:EX <Patricia.A.Marsh@gov.bc.ca>; Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX <Vanessa.Gedney@gov.bc.ca>; Miska, Ed TRAN:EX <Ed.Miska@gov.bc.ca>; Mazerolle, Beulah TRAN:EX <Beulah.Mazerolle@gov.bc.ca>; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Update: s.12; s.13

Hi Kaye,

s.12; s.13

Let me know if you have any questions.
Sandra

RE: a few mtg requests/items

From: Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX^{s.15}
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To: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX, Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX, Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Sent: March 1, 2021 1:06:39 PM PST
I will do – re: MC Agenda – thank you
Lea

From: Krishna, Kaye TRAN:EX
Sent: March 1, 2021 1:05 PM
To: Gedney, Vanessa R TRAN:EX ; Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX ; Kubisheski, Carlee TRAN:EX
Subject: a few mtg requests/items

Meeting requests:

- I'd like a 1:1 call with Carol Bishop for this week – 20 minutes, confidential
- Just sent an email to Merran Smith, Carlee can you book 30 in the next week or two?
- I'd like a briefing on the crown service plans, with a dedicated briefing on BC Transit this week if possible
- Will require a meeting with PTB - Carmela A and Heather – and Steve sometime next week, 30 minutes
- Please add to MC agenda: ^{s.13}(Steve has details), BCT service plan and board letter

Thanks

KAYE KRISHNA
Deputy Minister

Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure
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Minister's Council this week

From Plamondon, Lea TRAN:EX s.15
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To: Haywood, Steven TRAN:EX

Sent: March 1, 2021 1:09:18 PM PST

Hi Steve – Kaye asked that we add to the agenda:

s.13
s.13 (Steve has details)

Will both of these items be verbal updates for information or discussion? Or do you have supporting materials?
Lea